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Independent Claims	20** =	X	
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103 18	203 9	Claims in excess of 20	
102 80	202 40	Independent claims in excess of 3	
104 270	204 135	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid	
109 80	209 40	** Reissue independent claims over original patent	
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147 2,520	147 2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
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119 310	219 155	Notice of Appeal	
120 310	220 155	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
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Title SAFETY RAIL

Atty Docket Number PLI-1225

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